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EMBASSY INFORMED MINISTRY OF COMMERCE CONTENTS REFTEL NOV 6. LETTER FROM DIRECTOR GENERAL, FOREIGN TRADE, SUTHEE, DATED DEC 16 RECEIVED TODAY DEC 19, FOLLOWS:

"IN REFERENCE TO ARTICLE 1 OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING COTTON TEXTILE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE LEADERS OF THE DELEGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON ON MAY 22, 1974 WHICH STATED '...FOR THE PRESENT AGREEMENT YEAR ONLY, SPECIFIC LIMITS IN GROUP I SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS CONSULTATION LEVELS, I.E., IN THE EVENT EXPORTS ARE ABOUT TO EXCEED ANY OF THOSE LEVELS, THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT MAY MAKE A SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR INCREASES IN SUCH LEVELS FOR THE PRESENT YEAR, AND SUCH A REQUEST WILL BE CONSIDERED SYMPATHETICALLY BY THE UNITED STATES....' I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE OF THE CONSULTATION LEVELS IN CATEGORY 9/10 AND 22/23 TO THE AMOUNT OF 2,423,461 SQUARE YARDS AND 1,740,300 SQUARE YARDS RESPECTIVELY.

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I WOULD APPRECIATE VERY MUCH IF THE ABOVE REQUEST

WILL MEET WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT'S FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION SINCE THIS INCREASE IS WITHIN THE AGGREGATE LIMIT. FURTHERMORE, THE APPROVAL IS URGENTLY NEEDED TO STRAIGHTEN THE RECORD OF OUR EXPORT DUE TO MISCLASSIFICATION OF CATEGORY 20, WHICH SHOULD BE CLASSIFIED AS CATEGORY 22/23 AS STATED IN YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 24, 1974.

IN ADDITION, THERE IS ALSO AN EXPECTATION THAT THE CAPABILITY FOR EXPORT OF CATEGORY 9/10 AND 22/23 WILL EXCEED ITS ORIGINAL CONTROL LEVELS FOR THIS AGREEMENT YEAR."

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